



U.S. Coast Guard History Program

Station Hog Island, Virginia

USLSS Station #9, Fifth District
Coast Guard Station #156

Location:	Near south end of Hog Island, on west side, 1/2 mile west southwest of Hog Island Light; 37-22' 20"N x 75-42' 45"W in 1915
Date of Conveyance	1875
Station Built:	1875
Fate:	Turned over to the GSA in 1964

Remarks:

In 1878 the station was moved to a new site apparently to escape the encroachment of the sea. This was abandoned and in 1897 a new site was obtained.

Keepers:

John E. White was appointed in 1876 and left the service in 1877.

John W. Bowen was appointed on APR 5, 1877. He did not finish a year of service.

John E. Johnson a Gold Life Saving Medal recipient was appointed on NOV 30, 1878 and left the service due to physical reasons on APR 2, 1912.

John M. Richardson was appointed on MAR 28, 1912 and was still serving in 1915.

Photographs:



HOG ISLAND STATION

"HOG ISLAND STATION"; no date/photo number; photographer unknown.
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